FISCAL NOTE

HB 2730 - SB 2982

March 29, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the Department of Labor and Workforce Development or a court from requiring an employer or the employer's insurer to pay for medical treatment of an injured worker by a provider who was not one of the panel of 3 reputable physicians designated under TCA 50-6-204.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - Not Significant/Claims Award Fund

Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Estimate assumes if an employee currently goes outside of the panel of 3 reputable providers, the court generally rules that the employee is responsible for payment of those medical expenses. Bill would ensure this by including such provision in the workers compensation code.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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